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10 a.m. . . . . 5066th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

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   Report of the Secretary-General on women, peace and security (S/2004/814)

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1. Adoption of the agenda
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   Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/2004/827)

Followed by. . . . . Meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

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General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. . . . . 44th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba . . . . . [28]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/302, Part I, and A/59/302, Part II)

(b) Draft resolution (A/59/L.2)

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Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council: letter from Greece (A/59/358) . . . . . [15 (b)]

Main Committees

First Committee

3–6 p.m. . . . . 19th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57-72): *item 58* (A/C.1/59/L.55/Rev.1); *item 59* (A/C.1/59/L.33); *item 62* (A/59/165 (Part I), A/59/165 (Part I)/Corr.1 and A/C.1/59/L.8); *item 65* (A/59/117, A/59/117/Add.1, A/59/118, A/59/119, A/59/127, A/59/127/Add.1, A/59/127/Corr.1, A/59/128, A/59/128/Add.1, A/59/129, A/59/132, A/59/132/Add.1, A/59/132/Add.2, A/59/132/Add.2/Corr.1, A/59/132/Add.3, A/59/132/Add.4, A/59/132/Add.5, A/59/136, A/59/137, A/59/137/Add.1, A/59/156, A/59/156/Add.1, A/59/178, A/59/178/Add.1, A/59/179, A/59/181, A/59/193, A/59/278, A/59/278/Corr.1, A/59/364, A/C.1/59/L.1, A/C.1/59/L.13, A/C.1/59/L.14, A/C.1/59/L.19/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.21/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.23, A/C.1/59/L.26/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.30, A/C.1/59/L.31, A/C.1/59/L.34, A/C.1/59/L.38*, A/C.1/59/L.39, A/C.1/59/L.40/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.41, A/C.1/59/L.43, A/C.1/59/L.45/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.49/Rev.1, A/C.1/59/L.53, A/C.1/59/L.56, A/C.1/59/L.57, A/C.1/59/L.58 and A/C.1/59/L.59); *item 66* (A/59/157, A/59/169, A/59/171, A/59/177, A/59/182, A/59/209, A/59/364, A/C.1/59/L.4/Rev.1 and A/C.1/59/L.24); *item 67* (A/59/27 (Suppl. 27), A/59/42 (Suppl. 42), A/59/168, A/59/361 and A/C.1/59/L.27/Rev.1); *item 69* (A/C.1/59/L.54); *item 70* (A/59/130, A/59/130/Add.1 and A/C.1/59/L.35); *item 71* (A/C.1/59/L.25); and *item72* (A/C.1/59/L.17)

Other documents (A/C.1/59/1, A/C.1/59/2, A/C.1/59/3*, A/C.1/59/4, A/C.1/59/INF/1, A/C.1/59/INF/2, A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.1 and A/C.1/59/INF/2/Add.2)

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 18th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [77]

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General debate

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 28th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Human rights questions (A/59/225, A/59/371 and A/59/425[1]) . . . . . [105]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/59/255, A/59/319, A/59/320, A/59/323, A/59/327, A/59/328, A/59/341, A/59/360, A/59/366, A/59/377, A/59/385, A/59/401, A/59/402, A/59/403, A/59/422[1], A/59/428[1], A/59/432[1], A/59/436 and A/59/525[1])

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/59/256, A/59/269, A/59/311, A/59/316, A/59/340, A/59/352, A/59/367, A/59/370, A/59/378, A/59/389 and A/59/413)

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/59/36)

Introductory statements by, and dialogue with:

Special Rappoteur on the human rights of migrants

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967

Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan

3–6 p.m. . . . . 29th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Promotion and protection of the rights of children . . . . . [101]

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[1] To be issued.

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/59/36)

Continuation of dialogue with:

Special Rapporteur on the right to food

Introductory statements by, and dialogue with:

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar

Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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Fifth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . . 15th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

3–6 p.m. . . . . . 16th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

1. Improving the financial situation of the United Nations (A/59/524) . . . . . [110]

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2. Human resources management (A/59/263, A/59/263/Add.1, A/59/263/Add.2, A/59/357, A/59/211, A/59/264, A/59/291, A/59/446, A/59/217, A/59/222, A/59/299, A/59/213, A/59/213/Add.1, A/C.5/59/4, A/59/388, A/59/253, A/59/152, A/59/65 and A/59/65/Add.1) . . . . . [114]

Conclusion of general discussion

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4. United Nations pension fund (A/59/9, A/59/9/Add.1, A/C.5/59/11 and A/59/447) [117]

Introduction and general discussion

Sixth Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . . 15th meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Nationality of natural persons in relation to the succession of States (A/59/180, A/59/180/Add.1 and A/59/180/Add.2) . . . . . [138]

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Action on draft resolution A/C.6/59/L.14

Observer status for the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States in the General Assembly (A/59/233 and A/C.6/59/L.7) . . . . . [160]

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Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its thirty-seventh session (A/59/17, A/C.6/59/L.11 and A/C.6/59/L.12) . . . . . [143]

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General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. Administrative arrangements for the International Trade Centre
2. Review of the structure and functions of all liaison offices or representation in New York of organizations headquartered elsewhere funded from the regular budget
3. Consultation on the selection and appointment of members of the International Civil Service Commission

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 49 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 49 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments) will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

First Committee

Informal consultations

Informal consultations on agenda item 109 (Programme planning (Prog. 3), Disarmament (A/59/6 (Prog. 3) and A/59/16, chap. II, sect. C, prog. 3)) will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

The Chairman's informal open-ended consultations of the First Committee will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A.

Second Committee
Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C-209.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Xolisa Mabhongo (South Africa), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity), will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development), will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland, on the draft resolution on agenda item 44 (Information and communication technologies for development), will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Kumar Gupta (Canada), on the draft resolution on agenda item 86 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and of the twenty-fifth special session of the General Assembly), will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (e) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa), will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Mark Ramsden (New Zealand), on the draft resolutions on agenda item 85 (b) (Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States) and on promoting an integrated management approach to the Caribbean Sea area in the context of sustainable development, will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Other meetings

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Thursday, 28 October 2004

2004 United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament

9 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

2–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room E

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on globalization and interdependence: international migration and development)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(core group on globalization and interdependence)*

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(Fourth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on the follow-up and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(coordinating meeting on sustainable development)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on globalization and interdependence: preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Group of 77 *(Third Committee matters)*

4–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(core group on macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development)*

4.15–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Meeting of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution on strengthening the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the promotion of religious and cultural understanding, harmony and cooperation (organized by the Permanent Mission of Pakistan)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Meeting of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution on the protection and promotion of the rights and dignity of persons with disabilities (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico)

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Meeting of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution on missing persons (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room S-2963D

Non-Aligned Movement: Working Group on Disarmament

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

African Group *(Third Committee experts)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

1.45–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Briefing by the Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee for Human Rights)

There will be a briefing by Prof. Paul Hunt, Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health, organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee for Human Rights, *today*, 28 October 2004, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Third United Nations Coordination Meeting on International Migration

The third Coordination Meeting on International Migration, organized the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will continue *today*, 28 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Joseph Chamie, Director, Population Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-3179).

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold closed meetings *today*, 28 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

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Room S-226

11 a.m.	Mr. Jean Ziegler, Special Rapporteur on the right to food
Guest at noon	Mr. Jean-Marie Guéhenno, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; and Ms. Thoraya Obaid, Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (on the Secretary-General's report on the implementation of Security Council resolution 1325 on women, peace and security)
1.30 p.m.	Mr. Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro, Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Myanmar
3 p.m.	Mr. Cherif Bassiouni, Independent Expert appointed by the Secretary-General on the situation of human rights in Afghanistan

Forthcoming official meetings

Friday, 29 October 2004

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

10 a.m. . . . . 45th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/448) . . . . . [108]
2. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/532) . . . . . [123]
3. Financing of the United Nations Mission of Support in East Timor: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/531) . . . . . [129]
4. Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/527) . . . . . [136]

5. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Burundi: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/528) . . . . . [153]

6. Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire : report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/529) . . . . . [154]

7. Financing of the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti: report of the Fifth Committee (A/59/530) . . . . . [155]

8. Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items: fourth report of the General Committee (A/59/250/Add.3)[1] . . . . . [8]

[1] To be issued.

Main Committees

Second Committee *Informal "informals"*

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ulrika Cronenberg-Mossberg (Sweden), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (Sustainable development), will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind), will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), on the draft resolution on agenda item 87 (c) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin), will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 2 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", to be convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Eva Tomić (Slovenia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 85 (g) (United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development), will be held on Friday, 29 October, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Stefano Toscano (Switzerland), on the draft resolutions on agenda item 85 (c) (International Strategy for Disaster Reduction) and on international cooperation to reduce the impact of the El Niño phenomenon, will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitstor, Mr. José Briz Gutiérrez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-2963D.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Juraj Koudelka (Czech Republic), on the draft resolution on natural disasters and vulnerability (under agenda item 85 (c)), will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Keynote address

A keynote address on the theme "Forging coherence to achieve the Millennium Development Goals in the context of globalization" will be delivered by Mr. Amartya Sen, Lamont University Professor at Harvard University and 1998 Nobel Laureate in Economics, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 4. The address will be followed by remarks by Mr. Martin Wolf, Associate Editor and Chief Financial Commentator of *The Financial Times*. The event, organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be presided over by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

2004 Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review of Operational Activities for Development of the United Nations System

Dialogue

There will be a dialogue for the 2004 Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review of Operational Activities for Development of the United Nations System on the theme "United Nations development cooperation: Reforms, resources, results", organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Monday, 1 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Mr. Le Van Bang, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Viet Nam; Ms. Leonor Calderón, Minister of Social Development of Panama; Mr. Jean-Michel Severino, CEO of the French Development Agency (AFD), France; Ms. Badarch Suvd, Director of Policy Planning, Information and Monitoring Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia; Ms. Ruth Jacoby, Director-General for International Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sweden; Mr. Mark Malloch Brown, Administrator, UNDP, and Chair of the United Nations Development Group (UNDG); Mr. Lennart Båge, President, IFAD and Chair of the High-Level Committee on Programmes (HLCP) of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination (CEB); Ms. Thoraya Obaid, Executive Director, UNFPA; Ms. Anna Kajumulo Tibaijuka, Executive Director, UN-HABITAT; Ms. Noeleen Heyzer, Executive Director, UNIFEM; Mr. Carlos Fortin, Officer-in-Charge, UNCTAD; and Mr. Kul Gautam, Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion for the 2004 Triennial Comprehensive Policy Review for Operational Activities for Development on the theme "United Nations development cooperation: Coordination, participation and effectiveness". A presentation on the functioning of the United Nations development system at country level will be made by the United Nations Sub-regional Team for Barbados and the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States. The panel, organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be held on Tuesday, 2 November 2004, from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m., in a conference room to be announced. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Marco Balarezo (Peru), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Ms. Rosina Wiltshire, Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative; Ms. Vera Brown, Programme Coordinator of the Pan-American Health Organization/World Health Organization; and

Ms. Jean Gough, UNICEF Area Representative. Presentations will also be made by H.E. The Hon. Elvin Nimrod, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Grenada; and Ms. Judy Williams, Secretary-General of the Grenada Community Development Agency, representing civil society. An open forum with the delegations of Member States will follow.

For further information on the dialogue and panel discussion, please contact the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-2825). Members of Permanent Missions, agencies and organizations of the United Nations system, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (tel. 1 (212) 963-8429; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail olvida@un.org)). Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Nikhil Seth, Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950C; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Third Committee

Listed below is the schedule for introductory statements by Special Rapporteurs, Special Representatives, Independent Experts and Chairpersons of working groups of the special procedures of the Commission on Human Rights, who will be addressing the Third Committee. The schedule will be adjusted as required.

Friday, 29 October (agenda item 105)

10 a.m. Mr. Akich Okola (Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Burundi); Mr. Paul Hunt (Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health); and Ms. Yakin Erturk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, including its causes and consequences)

3 p.m. Mr. Ibrahim Salama (Chairperson-Rapporteur, Working Group on the right to development, Commission on Human Rights; and Ms. Sigma Huda (Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, particularly women and children)

Wednesday 3 November

9.30 a.m. Mr. Doudou Diène (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance) (agenda item 103); and Ms. Shaista Shameem (Special Rapporteur on the question of the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination) (agenda item 104).

Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations, convened by Ms. Astanah Banu Shri Abdul Aziz (Malaysia), to negotiate the Chairman's text relating to the issue of revitalization of the work of the Committee, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open (A/C.3/59/L.1/Rev.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the Third Committee secretariat (Ms. Vivian Bonano (tel. 1 (212) 963-5973; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Delegations are also requested to submit the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 17th meeting on Friday, 29 October 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 17th meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all remaining items allocated to the Sixth Committee is open (A/C.6/59/L.1). Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375; fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme

The 2004 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2004 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme, will be held on Thursday, 11 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Pledging Conferences, in writing, to Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

The list of speakers will be open from Wednesday, 3 November 2004. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Conference (Ms. Terri Olvida (fax 1 (212) 963-5935; or e-mail olvida@un.org).

Other forthcoming meetings

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Asian Group

There will be a meeting of the Asian Group on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building in global public health" (under agenda item 55) (organized by the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China)

There will be informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "Enhancing capacity-building in global public health" (under agenda item 55), organized by the Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of China, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Open-ended informal consultations on improving the effectiveness of the methods of work of the First Committee (organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia)

There will be an open-ended informal consultations on improving the effectiveness of the methods of work of the First Committee, organized by the Permanent Mission of Indonesia, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "The use of micro-algae as food to restore the victims of humanitarian emergencies" (under agenda item 39) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Somalia)

Informal consultations on a draft resolution entitled "The use of micro-algae as food to restore the victims of humanitarian emergencies" (under agenda item 39), organized by the Permanent Mission of Somalia, will be held in Conference Room D, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and on Monday, 1 November, from 3 to 3.45 p.m.

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution A/59/L.5/Rev.1 entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union" (under agenda item 56 (j)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile)

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution A/59/L.5/Rev.1 entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union" (under agenda item 56 (j)), organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Meeting of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution on human rights defenders (organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway)

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of a Third Committee draft resolution on human rights defenders, organized by the Permanent Mission of Norway, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Panel discussion on the "International prohibition of torture: Challenges and responses" (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights)

Mr. Theo C. van Boven, Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, will chair a panel discussion on "International prohibition of torture: Challenges and responses", organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in cooperation with the NGO Committee on Human Rights, to be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Briefing on governance and development (organized by the United Sates Mission, in cooperation with the Financing for Development Office, DESA, and the Office of the Special Representative of the World Bank)

There will be a briefing on governance and development, organized by the United States Mission, in cooperation with the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, and the Office of the Special Representative of the World Bank, on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 1.30 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Dr. Daniel Kaufmann, Director of Global Programs, World Bank Institute, will make a presentation on "Good governance and anti-corruption worldwide: Myths and realities emerging from data". Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the Financing for Development Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-5900; or e-mail fahmyh@un.org).

Open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the "Rights of the child" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and Brazil)

The open-ended informal consultations on a Third Committee draft resolution on the "Rights of the child", organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina and Brazil, will continue on Friday, 29 October 2004, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

United Nations Development Programme

The second informal consultation on the third global cooperation framework (GCF-III) will be held on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested Member States are invited to attend.

An informal consultation on the implications of simplification and harmonization on execution modalities will be held on Tuesday, 2 November 2004, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All interested Member States are invited to attend.

Group of 77 ***(at the ambassadorial level)***

There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 ***(at the ambassadorial level)*** on Monday, 1 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

UNITAR French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of Permanent Missions in New York. The workshop will be held on Monday, 1 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; on Tuesday, 2 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.; and on Wednesday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. A letter on this subject, including an information note and a nomination form, was addressed to all the Permanent Missions. The registration deadline is *today*, 28 October 2004. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Meeting of Legal Advisers

There will be a meeting of Legal Advisers on Monday and Tuesday, 1 and 2 November 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Group of the Least Developed Countries *(pending issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council; Second Committee draft resolution on the least developed countries; and preparation for the World Conference on Disaster Reduction (18-22 January, Japan))*

There will be a meeting of the Group of the Least Developed Countries *(pending issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council; Second Committee draft resolution on the least developed countries; and preparation for the World Conference on Disaster Reduction (18-22 January, Japan))* on Wednesday, 3 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius)

There will be a briefing on the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005), organized by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius, on Thursday, 4 November 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions are invited to attend.

UNITAR/OLA seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (OLA) are jointly conducting a seminar on the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and registration of treaties. The seminar will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 and 10 November 2004, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. The programme of the seminar will be sent to registered participants. Delegates who wish to attend the seminar are requested to return the nomination form that has been faxed to their Permanent Mission by Thursday, 4 November. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9683).

UNITAR workshop series on policy awareness and training in information technology

As part of the series on policy awareness and training in information technology, the third high-level seminar of this year on "Policy awareness and security issues in information technology", organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will be held on Friday, 19 November 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The seminar is part of the third annual series, presented under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics and implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation. For further information please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

UNITAR workshops on information technology

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), the ICT Task Force and Intel Corporation jointly organize the 2004 Series entitled "Policy awareness and training in information technology" under the auspices of the Working Group on Informatics. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which will be repeated four times throughout the year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on: (a) Introduction to computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet search basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page design basics and usability techniques. The fifth module, conceived as an interactive seminar, covers policy and security issues in information technology. Cycle IV of the 2004 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held until Friday, 19 November 2004. For further information, please contact the UNITAR Office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021 or 963-9196).

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 4 October 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Preparations for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (28 February-11 March 2005), delegations are kindly invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Addressing the linkages between the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly and the internationally agreed development goals, including those contained in the Millennium Declaration: progress, gaps and challenges; and (b) Future perspectives on the promotion of gender equality: through the eyes of young women and men. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or proppe@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463; room DC2-1268 or room DC2-1262), no later than 5 November 2004, indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated.

2004 Nairobi Summit on a Mine-Free World

Delegations are kindly informed that the list of speakers at the high-level segment on Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 December 2004, at the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-personnel Mines and on Their Destruction is now open. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the Executive Secretariat at the Geneva Branch of the Department for Disarmament Affairs (tel. +41 (0) 22-917-5281 or 22-917-2281). Delegations are kindly asked to indicate the level of the representative as well as the preferred time-block for delivering their statement (i.e. 2 December, morning session, 2 December, afternoon session, or 3 December, morning session). Delegations are reminded that the allotted time for statements is 6 minutes.

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

The High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, announces that as per General Assembly resolution 58/213B (A/RES/58/213B), the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Barbados Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States (Barbados+10) will take place from 10 to 14 January 2005 in Mauritius. The high-level segment will be held on 13 and 14 January 2005. If necessary, it was also decided that two days of informal consultations be held in Mauritius, on 8 and 9 January 2005, to facilitate preparations for the Meeting.

Summary of meetings

Wednesday, 27 October 2004

Security Council

5065th meeting

The situation in the Great Lakes region

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Ibrahima Fall, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for the Great Lakes region.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Fall.

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

42nd plenary meeting

Culture of peace* [35]; *Sport for peace and development: International Year of Sport and Physical Education* [47]: *joint debate

(a) Culture of peace . . . . . [35]

(i) Notes by the Secretary-General (A/59/201 and A/59/223)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.15)

(b) Sport for peace and development: International Year of Sport and Physical Education . . . . . [47]

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/59/268)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/59/L.9)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda items 35 and 47.

Statements were made by the representatives of Togo, Costa Rica, Suriname, Israel and Cuba.

The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/59/L.9, as orally revised (resolution 59/10).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 35.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 47.

Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/274) . . . . . [40]

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Iceland, Norway, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey), Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), China, Kenya, South Africa, the United States, Malaysia, Ecuador, Myanmar, Namibia and Peru.

43rd plenary meeting

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (Article 19 of the Charter) . . . . . [113]

The General Assembly took note of the information that Malawi had made the necessary payment to reduce its arrears below the amount specified in Article 19 of the Charter. The Assembly was informed that the information would be reflected in document A/59/430/Add.1, to be issued.

Follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children: report of the Secretary-General (A/59/274) . . . . . [40]

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 40.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Belize, the Congo, Kazakhstan, Jamaica, Canada, the Syrian Arab Republic, Uganda, Viet Nam, India, Eritrea, Nigeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran and Armenia.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 10 October 1994, the observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 40.

General Committee

5th meeting

Organization of work, adoption of the agenda and allocation of items . . . . . [8]

(a) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by several Member States (A/59/235)

The representative of Peru, under rule 43 of the rules of procedure, made a statement concerning the request for the inclusion of an additional item entitled "Andean Zone of Peace" (A/59/235).

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be included in the agenda of the fifty-ninth session under Heading A, and that it be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by several Member States (A/59/234)

The representative of Pakistan, under rule 43 of the rules of procedure, made a statement concerning the request for the inclusion of the item entitled "Observer status for the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation in the General Assembly" (A/59/234).

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the additional item should be included in the agenda of the fifty-ninth session under Heading I, and that it should be allocated to the Sixth Committee.

(c) Request for the inclusion of an additional sub-item: note by the Secretary-General (A/59/237)

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the sub-item entitled "Election of a member of the International Court of Justice", be included in the agenda of the fifty-ninth session under agenda item 15, and that it be considered directly in plenary meeting.

(d) Request for the inclusion of an additional item submitted by Azerbaijan and Turkey (A/59/236 and A/59/236/Add.1)

The representative of Azerbaijan made a statement, in the course of which he requested the inclusion of an additional item entitled "The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan" (A/59/236).

In accordance with rule 43 of the rules of procedure, the representative of Turkey made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Belgium, Australia, Kazakhstan and Djibouti.

The General Committee decided to invite the representatives of Armenia, the Gambia, Malaysia and Pakistan, at their request, to take a seat at the Committees table.

Statements were made by the representatives of Armenia, the Gambia, Malaysia and Pakistan.

By 9 votes to none, with 14 abstentions, the General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the item should be included in the agenda of the fifty-ninth session under Heading A. The General Committee recommended that it be considered directly in plenary meeting.

The representative of China made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The representative of Azerbaijan made a statement.

(e) Joint debate on agenda items 36 and 37

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement, in the course of which he proposed that the consideration of agenda item 36 and agenda item 37 be separated.

The General Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that the debate on agenda items 36 and 37 be separated.

Main Committees

First Committee

18th meeting

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57-72)

The Committee continued its third stage of work (Action on all draft resolutions submitted under all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 57-72)).

In explanation of vote after the vote for draft resolutions voted on during the previous meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Argentina, the Russian Federation and the Republic of Korea.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic also made a statement.

In explanation of vote before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Israel.

Preamabular paragraph 6 of draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.37 was adopted by a recorded vote of 154 to 3, with 4 abstentions. Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.37 as a whole was adopted by a recorded vote of 157 to 4, with 8 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.44 was adopted by a recorded vote of 109 to none, with 61 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of India, Australia and the Republic of Korea.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.12* was adopted by a recorded vote of 165 to none, with 3 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.16 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.36 was adopted by a recorded vote of 167 to none, with 2 abstentions.

Draft decision A/C.1/59/L.48 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.46 was adopted by a recorded vote of 165 to 1, with 1 abstention.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.47 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, a statement was made by the representative of India.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.3 was adopted without a vote.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.52 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), the United States and Canada.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.42* was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.9 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.18 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.20 was adopted without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and Egypt.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.2/Rev.1 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.5 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.51 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.10 was adopted by a recorded vote of 165 to 1, with 3 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.28 was adopted by a recorded vote of 165 to 1, with 2 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.32 was adopted by a recorded vote of 101 to 49, with 17 abstentions.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the United Kingdom and the United States.

Draft resolution A/C.1/59/L.11 was adopted by a recorded vote of 109 to 9, with 49 abstentions.

In explanations of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union) and Canada (also on behalf of Australia and New Zealand).

The representative of Egypt made a statement.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

17th meeting

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects . . . . . [77]

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representatives of Brazil (on behalf of the Rio Group), Algeria, Kuwait, Jamaica, Yemen, Nepal, China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Kenya, India, Peru, Cuba, Cyprus, Indonesia, the Philippines, Iceland, Fiji, Ukraine, Mali, Serbia and Montenegro, Guatemala, the Sudan and Myanmar.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Second Committee

18th meeting

Sustainable development . . . . . [85]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development

(b) Further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

(c) International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity

(g) United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

The Committee resumed its consideration of item 85.

*Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.6, A/C.2/59/L.7, A/C.2/59/L.8, A/C.2/59/L.10, A/C.2/59/L.11, A/C.2/59/L.12, A/C.2/59/L.13, A/C.2/59/L.14, A/C.2/59/L.16 and A/C.2/59/L.17**

The representative of Qatar, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, introduced the draft resolutions and orally revised the text of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.6.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.9

The representative of Japan introduced the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/59/L.15

The representative of Tajikistan introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document.

Macroeconomic policy questions [83]

(b) International financial system and development

(c) External debt crisis and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of item 83.

Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.2

The representative of Guyana, as Facilitator for the draft resolution, reported on the status of negotiations on the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.3

The representative of Guatemala, as Facilitator for the draft resolution, reported on the status of negotiations on the draft resolution.

Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development [84]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Draft resolution A/C.2/59/L.4

The representative of Cameroon, as Facilitator for the draft resolution, reported on the status of negotiations on the draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Third Committee

26th meeting

Human rights questions [105]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

The Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment introduced his report (A/59/324), under agenda item 105 (a), and engaged in a dialogue with the following delegations: Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Switzerland, Canada, Yemen, New Zealand, United States, Russian Federation, Norway, Republic of Korea, Costa Rica and Cuba.

The Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions introduced the report contained in document A/59/319, under agenda item 105 (b), and engaged in a dialogue with the following delegations: Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Egypt, Palestine, Venezuela, Switzerland, Afghanistan, Cuba, Côte d'Ivoire, Singapore, Islamic Republic of Iran, Colombia, New Zealand, Malaysia, India, Finland, Norway and China.

27th meeting *Human rights questions* [105]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

The Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief introduced her report (A/59/366), under agenda item 105 (b), and engaged in a dialogue with the following delegations: Egypt, Canada, Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Costa Rica, Uzbekistan, Sri Lanka, India, Cuba, Thailand, China, United States, Bangladesh, Indonesia, Nigeria, Republic of Korea and Organization of the Islamic Conference.

The Special Rapporteur on the right to food introduced his report (A/59/385), under agenda item 105 (b), and engaged in a dialogue with the following delegations: Mali, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Palestine, United States, Israel and Cuba.

The Committee agreed to revert to its discussion with the Special Rapporteur on the right to food at its afternoon meeting, on Thursday, 28 October.

The Independent Expert on the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism reported to the Committee, under agenda item 105 (b), and engaged in a dialogue with the following delegations: Switzerland, Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union), Mexico, Costa Rica, India and Israel.

Right of reply

The representative of Yemen made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a statement.

Fifth Committee

14th meeting *Human resources management* [114]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/59/263, A/59/263/Add.1, A/59/263/Add.2, A/59/357, A/59/211, A/59/264, A/59/217, A/59/222, A/59/299, A/59/213 and A/59/213/Add.1).

The Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/59/291).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/59/446).

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the reports of that Office (A/59/388, A/59/253 and A/59/152).

The Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit introduced the report of the Unit (A/59/65).

The Director of the New York Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights introduced the related comments of the Secretary-General (A/59/65/Add.1).

The Committee began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and

Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA countries Iceland and Liechtenstein, members of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement), Norway and the Republic of Korea.

United Nations common system . . . . . [117]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Vice-Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission on behalf of the Chairman of the International Civil Service Commission introduced the report of the Commission (A/59/30, Vols. I and II).

The Under-Secretary-General for Management introduced the report of the Panel on the Strengthening of the International Civil Service Commission (A/59/159) and the related report of the Secretary-General (A/59/399).

The Chief of the Common Services Unit of the Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/59/429).

The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was before the Committee in document A/59/522.

The Committee began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Australia (also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand), the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro; and the EFTA countries Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway, members of the European Economic Area, which aligned themselves with the statement) and the Syrian Arab Republic.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Sierra Leone, Canada and Nigeria.

The Chairman and the Secretary of the Committee also made statements.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Wednesday, 27 October 2004

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

Human Rights Committee
Eighty-second session
United Nations Office at Geneva

2239th meeting (closed) *Follow-up to concluding observations on State reports and to Views under the Optional Protocol* . . . . . [9]

The Committee considered the concluding observations on Finland.

The country report task forces adopted the lists of issues for Uzbekistan and Barbados.

2240th meeting

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant [6]

The Committee began its consideration of the fifth periodic report of Poland.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea. New York, 23 May 1997

Accession: Republic of Korea (26 October 2004)[1]

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Australia (27 October 2004)[1]

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters, 9 and 10 November 2004

The above seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place on 9 and 10 November 2004 at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the permanent missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

DPI/NGO briefing

This week, the topic of the DPI/NGO briefing will be "United Nations-Civil Society relationships: The debate in the General Assembly". The briefing will be held *today*, 28 October 2004, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Susanne Tinkl, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-7949; e-mail tinkl@un.org).

Launch of the DPKO Gender Resource Package for Peacekeeping Operations

The Department of Peacekeeping Operations will launch its Gender Resource Package for Peacekeeping Operations on Friday, 29 October 2004, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Presentation on "Getting the best out of the United Nations and disarmament Web site" (organized by the Department of Disarmament Affairs and the Permanent Mission of Italy)

There will be an interactive presentation on "Getting the best out of the United Nations and disarmament Web site", organized by the Department of Disarmament Affairs and the Permanent Mission of Italy, on Monday, 1 November 2004, from 12.45 to 2.15 p.m. in Conference Room 5. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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